

# UNION CLOAKMAKERS VOTE FOR A STRIKE

Will Contest Return to Piecework System and Cut in Working Hours.

## TO WALK OUT MONDAY

Workers Have Big Fund and Say They Can Raise \$3,000,000 More.

## 3,400 SHOPS AFFECTED

Manufacturers Will Be Forced to Terms Inside of Month, Is Assertion.

The cloakmakers' unions, with a membership of more than 55,000, have cast an almost unanimous vote to strike, it was reported last night. The halting has been going on since early in the week and the actual result will not be announced until to-day. The workers have risen against the decision of the employers to put many employees on a piecework basis and reduce the pay of others by cutting down the number of working hours a week. The strike is scheduled to begin on November 14.

Both New York and New Jersey workers will be involved in the walk-out. It is known that the unions already have sufficient funds with which to start the strike and it was said last night that they are prepared to raise \$3,000,000 more to keep it going. Financial support has been offered by the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America. A total of 3,400 shops will be affected by the strike in New York alone.

James Heller, a member of the joint board in charge of the counting of the ballots, was quoted as saying the cloakmakers expect to bring most of the manufacturers to terms within a month.

"We expect that within two weeks 2,000 manufacturers will make applications for settlement with the strikers and that 240 manufacturers connected with the cloak, suit and skirt manufacturers Protective Association will ignore the attitude of the others and hold out against us," Heller said.

Heller said also that in the event the manufacturers start a national fight against the unions the employees will be prepared to meet them.

From Joseph Schlosser, general secretary of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, it was learned that that organization is prepared to offer moral support to the strike and to come forward with funds when needed. He said the entire membership of his organization is in sympathy with the motives behind the strike of the cloakmakers.

It was said last night that the employers are preparing to tolerate to provide a strike strength sufficient to stand a national fight and that they are getting ready to lock out 100,000 workers throughout the country.

A. E. Lefcourt, spokesman for the members of the protective association, defended the piece work system and the move to return to it yesterday by saying that it means a lowering of prices and that the manufacturers are ready to guarantee the decrease. He was answered by Benjamin Schlesinger, president of the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union, who retorted that the cost of labor amounts to only about a fourth of the wholesale price and that a return to the piece work system will have little effect on retail prices.

THANKSGIVING DAY PROCLAIMED.

ALBANY, Nov. 9.—A proclamation designating Thursday, November 24, as Thanksgiving Day was issued to-night by Gov. Miller.

# STARVING MILLIONS WILL DIE IN RUSSIA, DECLARES GORKY

Relief Measures Fail to Dam Catastrophe, Says Well Known Writer—Hoover's Organization, Even, He Regards as Insufficient—Bolsheviki All Powerful.

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"In my opinion the greater part of the starving 35,000,000 Russians will die," Maxim Gorky, well known Russian writer and journalist, declared on his arrival here from Moscow. It will be recalled that M. Gorky was head of the All-Russian Famine Relief Commission previous to its reorganization recently. "I am utterly sceptical about the various relief measures and the way they are being managed," he continued. "They are only little acts—not enough to dam up the catastrophe. Mr. Hoover's organization is altogether insufficient, and he has not yet succeeded absolutely in protecting the transport system as it was expected he would in Samara. He safeguarded his food relief shipments from the Bolsheviks, but neither he nor any one else has the power to ward-off the robber bands in the region traversed by the line.

"What other countries have done is

but a drop in the bucket. Only by some great action like that of America can anything be achieved. One must despair when France refuses to assist and gives transparent protests for not assisting, and when Germany herself is stripped bare and other lands only speak about helping."

M. Gorky found impressive words to testify to the strength of the Bolsheviks. "Bolshevism is powerful, not because it is an idea, but because it is an energetic living force with muscles and warm blood," he declared. "To-day Russia is without opposition to Bolshevism simply because, as every child knows, only the strongest can govern Russia is to-day Bolshevism's strongest factor, and will remain so. Russia needed a violent shaking up. She has swallowed her medicine.

"Bolshevism has been good for the Russian people because it made their shaking up thorough. The peasants have the final power, but the Bolsheviks have very capable organizers and these, working together, give them an unassailable position."

## TO DECIDE ON PLANS FOR RAIL WAGE CUTS

Eastern Presidents Will Confer To-day About 30 Day Notices to Workers.

The date on which the railroads embracing the territory north of the Ohio and east of the Mississippi will propose further reductions in the pay of all classes of employees will be decided to-day at a meeting of the Eastern Presidents Conference in the Metropolitan Club, Fifth avenue and Sixtieth street. This will be followed by a meeting of the member roads of the Association of Railway Executives in Grand Central Terminal at which discussion is expected to centre upon the problems presented in carrying out the decision reached in Chicago on October 14 to

seek concurrent reductions in railroad wages and freight rates.

Alfred P. Thom, general counsel for the association, will report the result of his informal conferences with members of the Interstate Commerce Commission, in which he is understood to have obtained the views of the commissioners on the plan to cut operating expenses in order to yield to the insistent demands of shippers and the Harding Administration for lower transportation rates.

It was believed in some quarters that Mr. Thom received assurances from the commissioners that no general reduction in freight rates would be authorized unless the roads succeed in their efforts to reduce substantially their labor bills.

The Eastern presidents are expected to name an early date for the thirty day notices of wage cuts to be sent to their employees. The conferences with employees' representatives will be arranged after the lapse of the thirty day periods. Meanwhile the Bureau of Eastern Railway Information will have completed the gathering of statistics on living costs and wage rates in other industries, upon which the roads will base the reductions sought. It is believed that the wage disputes in their entirety will come to a head before the Railroad Labor Board in Chicago in February.

# PAY CUT ANNOUNCED BY CHICAGO PACKERS

Action by Four of Big Five Will Have Effect Throughout the Industry.

## MEN TO CONSIDER STRIKE

Meetings of District Presidents From All Over Country to Be Held Next Week.

CHICAGO, Nov. 9 (Associated Press).—A general cut in wages of packing house workers was forecast to-day when four of the Big Five—Armour & Co., Swift & Co., Wilson & Co., and the Cudahy Packing Company—requested their employees to consider, in the plant councils, a reduction in pay to be made effective soon. No definite amount was mentioned, and officials said their conferences had not determined the size of the reduction to be sought.

Morris & Co., the only one of the Big Five that has not established employees' councils, was expected to make any reduction that the others may agree upon.

The Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen Union of North America took a strike vote recently in which a substantial majority authorized Cornelius Hayes, international president, to order a walkout if he was unable to reach a satisfactory agreement with the packers.

The Big Five contend, however, that only a small portion of their men are union members and that a strike would not seriously affect their plants. The closed shop never has been recognized in the industry.

The strike vote followed termination of the period of Federal arbitration established during the war and under which Judge Samuel Altschuler, appointee of the Secretary of Labor, kept peace in the packing industry until September 15, when the packers having refused to renew the agreement, his control ended.

Arguments of the packers for a wage reduction were presented to-day by Louis P. Swift, president of Swift & Co., in a letter to members of the various plant assemblies.

"We regret that we must at this time

ask you to present an unpopular subject to your workmen through your assembly," Mr. Swift wrote, "but trust that the members of your organization realize that we want them to suffer as little hardship as possible from the hard times that have befallen the company."

"It is only because of the greatest necessity that we bring up the need of a further substantial reduction in expenses so that we can meet the competition of other concerns operating on lower labor costs. We have been doing all that we can in this direction, but unfortunately wages form such a large part of our expenses that it now becomes necessary to consider an early reduction of wage rates."

"If investors would be unwilling to put their money into the packing business, causing more unemployment, and thereby injure our workmen, ourselves and the general public."

"The packers' action is no surprise to us," President Hayes said when told of to-day's action. "And the packers are going to cut wages regardless of what the plant assemblies decide."

Hayes announced that district presidents in the country would meet here next week to consider what action shall be taken under the strike authorization recently voted.

The present scale of wages in the industry ranges from 45 cents an hour for common labor—which includes 50 per cent. of all men employed—to a maximum of 80 cents for the highly skilled floormen. Semi-skilled trades are paid from 45 to 55 cents; killers from 62 to 65 cents, and hide removers from 70 to 75 cents an hour.

Packing plants are working with reduced forces. One company which normally employs 100,000 men has 85,000 now. Besides the Big Five plants here the proposed cut would affect all of the principal packing centres outside of Chicago, including Sioux City, Kansas City, Oklahoma City, Fort Worth, East St. Louis, St. Paul, Denver, South Omaha and St. Joseph.

## POST FOR DR. HAVILEND.

Gov. Miller Asks Him to Head State Hospital Commission.

ALBANY, Nov. 9.—Gov. Miller announced to-night that he had invited Dr. C. Floyd Haviland, Superintendent of the State Hospital at Middletown, Conn., to return to New York State, where he was a resident for many years, to accept the appointment as head of the State Hospital Commission.

Dr. Charles W. Pilgrim recently resigned as chairman.

# ROADS ORDER RAILS FOR USE NEXT YEAR

Cut in Prices Brings Carriers Into Market—Steel Output Is Increased.

The rate at which railroad inquiries for new steel rails are coming into the market shows that the recent cut from \$47 to \$40 a ton in the price has urged the carriers to make ready for next year's requirements. The New York Central is feeling out the manufacturers on an order for 100,000 tons with a possible maximum of 200,000 tons; the Pennsylvania Railroad is considering a quota of 150,000 tons, and the Norfolk and Western, one of 40,000 tons. The Iron Age, in this week's survey of the market, states that the United States Steel Corporation has recently booked orders for 120,000 tons of rails. Plans for car purchases also are being worked out by the railroads, which point toward increasing activity by builders in the next few weeks.

"Steel production in October was 1,616,000 tons of ingots," says the Iron Age, "by the thirty companies reporting, or more than double the \$65,376 tons produced by the same companies in July. The October increase over September steel output was 37 per cent., whereas pig iron output in October was but 22 per cent. more than in September. The Steel Corporation's schedule this week represents 51 per cent. of capacity. Though the upward turn in production came in July, further price deflation on the present movement is recorded for this week. The Iron Age composite for finished steel now stands at 2.134 cents a pound, or less than 27 per cent. above the average for the ten years before the war. The stabilized war period, composite was 3.549 cents and the August, 1920, composite 3.967 cents a pound."

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Nov. 9.—The Iron Trade Review of to-day will say: "Momentum recently acquired by the iron and steel industry has reached the point where production is being maintained at recent maximum level and further slight progress is being shown despite obstructing factors, of which freight rate uncertainty is paramount. Recession in some lines of demand are being offset by gains in others. As a result the general undertone is more cheerful and the outlook appears more promising. The United States Steel Corporation has pushed up its operation to 52 per cent. of its ingot capacity."

# NINE YOUNG BANKERS START FOR ARGENTINA

Hope to Help Trade With United States.

The Munson liner American Legion, which started yesterday for South American ports, carried William F. Benkler, resident vice-president at Buenos Aires of the First National Bank of Boston, and Edwin Stevens, assistant manager of the bank's foreign department. With them were nine young men from the bank who are going there to study conditions and to remain in South America in various capacities.

"The sending down of new men to South America is a recognition of the tremendous possibilities for trade between the two continents," declared

Mr. Benkler. "More progress will be made in the next ten years than in the last fifty. Better business conditions are already in sight in Argentina. Our bank has just completed a big new branch building in Buenos Aires."

## WAR FINANCE ADVANCES.

Applications for Almost \$1,800,000 Are Approved.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9.—The War Finance Corporation approved to-day an advance of \$1,250,000 to a cooperative association in California for loans on rice and twenty-one advances for loans in Montana, Indiana, Wisconsin, Nebraska, North and South Dakota, Georgia and Iowa totalling \$538,500 for agricultural and livestock loans. Iowa received fourteen advances for a total of \$374,000.



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NEXT SUNDAY IN

# THE NEW YORK HERALD

# TO THE PUBLIC: MILK STRIKE BULLETIN AS TO FUTURE PRICES

Among the thousands of letters received endorsing our attitude in the present milk strike situation, some have asked for assurance as to future prices.

It is obvious that not knowing the future cost of milk, freights, and other materials and supplies specific figures cannot be given.

These are uncontrollable insofar as the distributor is concerned.

We know that relieved of the unfair demands of the Union as to wages and conditions and with co-operative relations established that the cost of milk distribution is bound to come down.

This being so and without increased cost of milk and other materials and supplies the savings must be reflected in future selling prices.

All that could prevent this would be for us to appropriate to ourselves in the form of additional profits the savings thus realized.

Your protection against such a development is our pledge at this time that our average net profits will be limited to one-half cent per quart on the milk handled by us.

For your satisfaction in this connection we will publish annually the average net profit per quart of milk handled, as established by certified public accountants of high standing.

This should give assurance to milk consumers since they will know that whatever future prices may be, of the total price paid by them we will receive as a maximum for our services only the one-half cent as mentioned.

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